## David Stillman

## Family, Friends and a Fraternity Chapter Mourn a Loss

Quite literally hundreds of mourners gathered at Kaufmann Funeral Home recently to pay their final respects to brother Dave Stillman. As the first member of the Zeta Pi Chapter to pass, Dave's death has sent shockwaves of grief and reality coursing through our group.
Dave, a member of our first pledge class, one of our first Second Counselors, winner of the highest grade point award and our only member to attend and graduate from law school was skiing in Switzerland with his fiance when, on the expert run, he plunged several hundred feet off a cliff.

These are the details we've tried to collect and disseminate to the rest of the chapter. But no matter how much we preoccupied ourselves with the details, none of us could escape the real issues that were clouding our minds:

- Each day brings us one day closer to our last - and while we hope it will be decades from now - it could be tomorrow.

- If our life, or another's life, can be taken from us so unexpectedly - are we doing everything we can to make the most of our friendships and our families? Do we really treat each other like tomorrow could be our last?
- How woüld we want to be remembered by the people we cared about? What impact would we want our passing to have on their lives?
I can't answer these last questions for Dave, because I unfortunately never discussed them with him. However, I would like to speculate on his reaction. I think Dave would have been pleased to


## Christmas Party

The annual alumni Christmas party is coming up soon at a place and time yet to be determined. Party planners are looking for an alumnus who might like to have the party (for Alumni Association members) at their home. If you might like to have a subsidized party at your home during the Christmas season, contact Chris Riley at 313 650-2917. If you haven't paid your dues yet, contact Brian Mahlmeister A.S.A.P.
see how many brothers gathered to attend his funeral. I think he would have particularly appreciated our desire to meet for lunch afterwords and reminisce and to unwind from a stressful event.

More than any of this though, I think Dave would have been pleased to see how the brothers of the Zeta Pi Chapter came together to console and comfort each other in a time of crisis. The meticulous efforts to contact everyone and keep them informed; the groups of five and ten brothers that gathered because they just wanted to be together - all of this, I think, would have made Dave proud to be a member of such a real and true brotherhood. It has done so for me.

I miss you Dave.

## A New Bun in the Oven

Congratulations to the Peterson family and the Hardiek family. You all know about the first "bundles of joy" to grace these two families but did you know that Carol Peterson and Diane Hardiek are pregnant again?
Sorry, but at press time I still don't have any details like when they are due (or what they were thinking) but you can call them yourselves for the gory details.
I guess some people just can't get enough of a good thing!

## Grapevine

Here's this issue's clearing house of real and make-believe rumors. The next issue of S.Pi Magazine will have the answers to which are real and which are not.

- Chuck Surinck having received inside information about a McDonald's stock split, rushed to the Smithsonian Museum - purchased the Hope diamond - had it made into a ring and proposed to his new fiance Joy Penny.
- Craig Porter has purchased land in Centerline with the purpose of opening a restaurant/hotel specializing in cheap cuts of steak. The new establishment will be called Porterhouse.
- Rob Waters is touting the success of the new diet program implemented during the canoe trip. It seems 6 hours in a sauna, followed by 20 doses of laxative is an excellent way to lose 20 or 30 pounds.
- Darren LaLonde (otherwise known as The Phantom of the Fraternity) is married and living with his wife Debbie in Livonia.
- John Armitage has permanently returned from basic training in the Army. He apparently had a severe allergic reaction to army-issue jockey shorts.
- PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT: Avoid at all costs the Secrets Salon for hair cuts. Hillary of Secrets has been cutting the hair of several Sigma Pi Alums and we're noticing a disturbing pattern - each of them is gaining forehead at an alarming rate. The exact cause has not yet been determined, but all brothers are advised to proceed with extreme caution.
- Scott Westphal is to be married near his home in Cleveland, Ohio on November 21, 1991.


## Grapevine . . . Last Issue's Answers

- Dan Sapiano and Bryan Mahlmeister have split the cost of a lifetime membership to Wax Not sure what the real story is here On - Whacks Off, an east side body waxing salon. Bryan's Back and Danny's Chest are, following their first waxing, allegedly "smoother than a baby's butt."
- Jeff Johnson matched all six numbers in a recent Michigan Lotto Drawing. (This is purely speculation - but how else could he have amassed the large amounts of disposable income he's been flashing all over town?) ,
- Teddy Oresky is back in town, working at the Chimayo mexican restaurant in "New Pontiac." He is married and owns a couple of homes.
-but they each wanted a story about the other-so I tried to trash both of them equally.
- Dave "Skippy" Peterson - despite his marriage, son, new home, new job and otherwise busy schedule actually picked up the phone and contacted one of his fraternity brothers.

Yeah, right. Want to buy a bridge?

- Vasile Nagy will be interviewed next month in his palatial Rochester Hills estate by Robin Leach for an upcoming episode of Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous.
- Henry Clay Estates, has been condemned by the Pontiac Department of Public Works. Consequently, Rob, Bora, Shawn and Karl have moved on to new accommodations.

True (except for the condemned part) see phone list for new numbers.

- Greg Stephens is flying back from basic training in San Diego, CA to attend the Alumni Picnic on July 20th.

If you were there, you saw him.

- John Zielke is the new Chapter Director for the ailing (charterless) colony at Lawrence Institute of Technology.

True, and they're improving fast.


If the person(s) you are to contact are not home or at their office, skip them and contact their people to keep the chain going. Then go back and continue trying your person(s).


